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EDITORIAL

The Sportsman's Prayer

Dear God, help me to be a good sport and a good loser in this game of life. I don't ask to be the pitcher or for any prominent place in the line-up; play me anywhere you need me. I only ask that you give me the patience, courage, and stamina to give you the best I've got in every game. If all the hard drives seem to come my way, Lord, I thank You for the compliment. Help me always to remember that You won't ever let anything come my way that I can not handle, and help me to take the bad bounces as part of the game. Help me to understand that the game of life is full of hard knocks, bad hopes and foul tips, and make me thankful for them. Help me to get so that the harder they come the better I will like it, and grant that I shall never sidestep one that is too hot to handle, nor alibi, whimper or complain I've had a raw deal or that the game was a frameup. Use me wherever You will to play the game in such a way that You will have no regrets for giving me the chance; and finally, when we reach that last inning and the evening shadows are gathering, grant that I may win Thy decision and be counted safe at home.

(Our sincere appreciation to the unknown author.)

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Sam: "I like to go to bed and get up with the chickens?"
Cyrus: "Not me. I like to sleep in my own bed."

COMIC BOOKS
By: Corretta Hensley

Comic books are for the enjoyment of the American people. Mostly children read them. Before they learn to read and have people read to them. There are even many adults who read the comic books.

What is the real purpose of comic books? To some it is a way of passing spare time. To some it is a hobby. To others it gives enjoyment.

Comic books have their good points and their bad points. There are those that are funny, the westerns, the love and the classic. They can all give enjoyment but they also can do some harm, especially to the smaller children. The funny comic books such as "Donald Duck" and many more really give enjoyment to the people. Some classics are educational. The westerns do give enjoyment, but they also put bad ideas into the minds of small childrens. The children can get the ideas of playing with guns and ropes and can easily be hurt. They see in the books men hanging others by ropes. So in just playing they do these things and can easily be hurt or even killed. The love comic put a lot of wrong ideas into the mids of teenagers.

So remember when you read you next comic book, whatever kind it may be, it is for enjoyment and should not be taken too seriously.

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TALENT SHOW
By: Gladys Toalin

A talent show, staged by the students of the school, was held in the auditorium Friday, February 22. Talent was entered in the show.

Mrs. Harold Malmberg, and Mrs. K. A. Marshall were the judges. The first prize of three dollars went to the third grade group in a presentation of "Hokey Pokey Animal Dance." The second prize of two dollars went to Karen Bennett, a fourth grade pupil, for her solo, "I Dream."

Mrs. H. L. Downey, and Miss Beth Owen were chairmen in charge of the show. Net proceeds were $76.90.

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Joe: "What has 18 legs, 20 eyes, and 12 arms?"
Ann: "I don't know. What?"
Joe: "I don't know, either, but you'd better get it off your back."

S P O R T S

ALL-STAR TEAM CHOSEN

During the week of the basketball tournament an all-star basketball team for the boys and girls was selected from all of the District J high schools. Questionnaires were sent out by the Bedford Democrat to the principals and coaches who were to select a first and second team from players of the entire county.

Both the girls and boys team from Big Island were well represented. Irvin Putney gained high honors by being chosen for the first team of the boys while Barbara Oliver was selected first team for the girls.

There were two Big Island boys chosen for the second team. They were: Fred Bechmann, one of the star-centers in the county and Wayne Wilson, also an outstanding player.

Donna Spence, one of our three best forwards, was selected for second team.

Our girls team was also well represented on the honorable mention list as Patsy Arthur, Esther Dawson and Janet Camden were chosen.

We are proud to represnet our school by being chosen as members of the teams and hope that more players from our school will enjoy the honor next year.

All of the players should be commended on the fine sportsmanship which they have displayed during the season. The two coaches, Mrs. Parks and Mr. Oglesby, with the assistance of Mr. Lee have also done an outstanding job this year.

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BIG ISLAND GIRLS END IN A TIE

The girls basketball team ended the season this year in a tie with Boonsboro for fourth place.

The play-off game took place February 19, at Boonsboro High School. Big Island won the game with a score of 43-36.

Becky Shelton was high scorer for Boonsboro with a total of 23 points. Donna Spence with 24 points helped the girls win a place in the top 4 standings.

By: Patsy Arthur

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Mrs. Black: "Whenever I'm down in the dumps I buy a new hat."

Mrs. Blue: "I was wondering where you got them."

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Big Island Enters Tournament

The play-off tournament for the District J High School teams was held at Lynchburg College on February 21, 22, and 24.

The Big Island boys entered the tournament with a 11-3 record after a very successful season. They marched to victory over Concord in their first game. They met with stiffer competition in their second game but came out on top with a score of 27-26. Irvin Putney was high scorer for Big Island with 10 points.

On Saturday Night our boys met Boonsboro boys. Earlier in the season they lost their first game with Boonsboro but won their second game behind the heavy scoring of Fred who had 25 points. After 3 very exiting quarters Boonsboro had a last minute scoring spree and defeated Big Island by a score of 48-42. The scoring was very consistant with Wayne scoring 12 points, Irvin scoring 11 points and Franklin 10 points.

Even though our boys lost it was a well-played game. The runner-up trophy will look very nice in our trophy case.

CONGRATULATION boys!!

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BIG ISLAND GIRLS MEET STEWARTSVILLE

The girls team played Stewartsville girls at Lynchburg College on Thursday 21, 1957. Patsy Arthur was sick with the flu and was missed greatly by the team members. Nancy Ramsey and Gayle Fifer did a fine job of **playing. This might have been classified as a very sad occassion for the first team as it was the last game for all of them. The final score was 49-34, with Donna Spence collecting 31 points for Big Island and Norma Fouts 26 for the winners. The guards also did a fine job in the game.**

As Co-Captain of the girls team I would like to say I sure did enjoy playing with all of the girls team this year.

By: Donna Spence

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Jack: "Pat, if I'd known that tunnel was so long, I'd have given you a kiss."

Pat: "What! Wasn't that you?"

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SENIOR PERSONALITY

By: Jean Rise

The boy in the Senior Personality this month is a tall and handsome boy with dark curley hair. He weighs 145 lbs. and has a towering height of 71 inches. Even though he is quiet and shy around school, he really knows his way around certain cute little dishes.

He is very fond of hillbilly music and his favorite actor and actress are William Holdern and Jane Russel.

You may often see this person and his pal, Wayne Wilson on their favorite stomping grounds near Old Forest Roads.

There is a special little girl by the name of "Gayle" that keeps him at Forest away from us. She is his special, even though he has many secret admires here at Big Island. He rates very high even with the fourth grade girls.

He holds a position at Mitchell's Super-Market at Sedalia and therefore has a chauffeur to bring his girl to meet him each night after work. So keeping these late hours is the reason he is always sleepy.

Well [illegible], we have let you in on all of the secrets, so we will unveil this guy. He is the school's one and only "Mick" Wilson.

The Senior Class wished you the best of everything Reginald.

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The Valentine Dance
by: Edna Coffey

The Valentine Dance was given for the th & 9th grades and their guest. The F. H. A. members and their guest. Miss Owen and Esther Dawson did the planning for the dance. They dance to the music of records played on the school's juke box & record player.

A good time was enjoyed by all and many gay colors were represented. There was a very large crowd.

Our dance was really a success.

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Jim: "Does your horse have good manners?"
Tom: "He certainly does. When he jumps over a wall, he always lets me go first."

By: Gayle Pifer

Appearing in the Senior Personality this month is Barbara Oliver. Barbara has a full schedule here at school, she's always helping the teachers and is active in most of the clubs, being editor of our school paper "The Telletorum" and our school annual "The Islander."

Barbara has just completed her fourth year on the basketball team, as we all know Barbara was our outstanding guard and made the first team in the District J. All-Star Team for which we are very proud of her.

Barbara has a special way of winning a place in the hearts of her fellow-students, espically the boys at Boonsboro High.

Barbara would probably have the tag (here at Big Island High) for the one "Most Likly to Succeed."

We won't to wish her all the happeness and success in whatever she undertakes to do.

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Trip to Richmond
By: Della Tolley

On Feburary 16th Mr. Emerson, Ronnie Ross, Mrs. Parks, and Della Tolley left Big Island to attend a S. C. A. Meeting at Richmond.

We were suppose to leave at 6:30 A.M. but unfortunately Mrs. Parks over slept. We left Big Island about ten o'clock and arrived in Richmond about 12:30.

The S. C. A. meeting was over so we had lunch at the Coffee Shop at The Hotel Richmond.

Mrs. Parks attended a meeting at the John Marshall Hotel, while we toured the Capitol, Valentine Museum and went shopping.

After a delicious dinner of shrimps at Ferbie's just out side of Richmond, we started for home. We arrive at Big Island around 9:50.

We had a wonderful trip even though we regretted missing the meeting.

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Tommy: "Dad, there's someone at the door to you."
Dad: "I suppose he has a bill."
Tommy: "No, he doesn't. He has a Rose."

Song Dedications

James P. to Violet "Baby its in the Making"
Barry to May "It Scares me Half to Death"
Susie to Rick "Conscience I'm Guilty"
Betty B. to Billy W. "Two Different Worlds"
Harold to Sharyon "I Need a Good Girl Bad"
Patsy P. to Chuck "Rock me Daddy-O"
Lawless to Jeanne "To the Ends of the Earth"
Norma M. to Pug "For you I Weep"
Jeannette to Wray "Whams Bams Hot Ziggitty Zam"
Wade to Corretta "Never Like This"
Kyle to Carolyn "Dig, Boy, Dig"
John Robert to Mickey "Crazy With Love"
Pug to Ann "I Can't Love You Enough"
Myrtle to Roger R. "Don't Be Cruel"
Mary B. to Franklin "Rocky-Jockies"
Jimmy D. to Alice B. "Consolation Prize"
Pauline to Albert "It Isn't Right"
Bob to Glayds "I Could Have Danced All Night"
Ray W. to Dolores "She's Got It"
Beatrice T. to Sherman D. "Out of Sight-Out of Mind"
Patsy T. to Neal M. "Please Don't Leave Me"
Jessie B. to Jane D. "Just Walking in the Rain"
High School to Teachers "Now That It's Over"

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

How can I get a certain boy to notice me when he doesn't even know I'm alive?
"Play Hard to Get"
What can we do so the teachers will like Elvis Presley? "Rip it Up"
Where is the best place to neck?
"Behind the Green Door"
Where is the best place to park?
"Blueberry Hill"
What is your favorite dish?
"Hound Dog"
What can we do to cure the disease thats going around? "Ride on the Banana Boat"
Where is the best place to smoke?
"You'll Never Know"

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SPELLING BEE

A spelling bee was held on March 5 in the gym for grades 5-8. More words were ll this year than for the past several years. The winner of this bee was Sharyn Symes, the runner-up being Jimmy Downey. The winner and the runner-up are both from the eight grade, which is an unusual occurrence. These winners went to Bedford on March 6 for their written test and will go back on March 13 for the oral contest. We want to wish these winners good luck as they represent the school.

CAN YOU IMAGINE!!!!

Mrs. Oliver not patroling the halls.
Mr. Lee chewing gum.
Gayle being a farmers wife.
Jerry being friendly with the high school.
All the high school teachers sick.
Patsy Thomas being little.
Lawless not calling Jeanne.
Phytom having money when he takes Doris out.
Patsy & Punk being mad.
Ben not flirting.
Carol Edens weighting 125.
Chuck not being called "Elvis"
James not courting in the school bus.
Wray not combing his hair.
Fred going straight home after a game.
Irvin eating breakfast at home.
John Robert not asking a foolish question.
Bonnie not being biggity.
The teachers not giving a six weeks test.
The Eight Grade not having to stay in at lunch time.
The Mechanical Drawing All not whistling.
Miss Harris missing school.
Everyone on the gym floor with tennis shoes.
Gayle not drinking a Pepsi at lunch.

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THINGS TO COME!!!!

March 8, Seniors go to James Lee & Sons
March 8, Banquet for basketball team cheerleaders and guests.
March 11, Movie picture "State Fair" with Janet Gaynor & Will Rogers
March 12, Report Cards to be issued.
March 13, Elementary Assembly, Miss Cook in charge.
March 13, Spelling Bee, Bedford
March 15, Basketball game--Big Island vs Owens Illionis.
March 16, Dance for High School sponsored by the 9th grade.

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GRADE NEWS

SPRING

The days are getting warm,
The birds are singing away.
The bees are beginning to swarm
The flowers are coming up each day.

Tera Yoder

SPRING

I like spring because I can run and play in thewarm sunshine with my pets. Spring is my favorite time.

Darlene Rise

MARCH

Dear March come in
I have been waiting for you.
The leaves faces were
so red when they saw you.
Did you leave nature wall?

Faye Goff

There was an old woman
She lived on a rock
She used to dig worms
To put in her socks.
How she did it nobody knows.

Audrey

LOVE

Love is not a play thing.
Love is not a toy.
If you want your heart broke,
Just give it to a boy.

Ann Maspie

THE PICNIC

When we find the proper spot
Not too cold and not too hot
We put a blanket on the ground
And pass our picnic all around.
Potato chips and pickles sweet
And lot more things we sit and eat.

Shelby Branch

THE CUTE GIRL

Once there was a little girl
She had a cute curl.
One day she lost her curl
And boy did she have a whirl.

Linda Snead

MY PIG

I have a pig. He is hungry all the time. I feed him corn and apples, so he will grow to be a big pig.

Brenda Davis

OUR TRIP

One time Mother and I went to the skyline drive. We saw a snake on the roadside. We went across and took the rattles from his tail. He was green and blue.

Hilbert Byers

MY PET

I have a pet dog. His name is Perry. I like to play with him very much. I love him very much. I like to run and play with with him.

Joyce Ann Mays

SPRING

I like spring because birds come from South to make nest, lay eggs and hatch baby birds. I like to hear them sing sweet songs.

Louise Burks

THE CLOCK

Tick-tock goes the Grandfather's clock.
Tall it stands in the hall.
It reminds me of the good old days,
When we met at the ball.

You were dressed in your best suit,
I was dressed in my dress.
We sat down at a table,
And I snuggled close to your chest.

THE COW

The friendly cow all red and white
I love her with all my heart.
She gives me cream with all her might,
To eat with apple tart.
She wonders lowing here and there,
And yet she cannot stray;
All in the pleasant open air,
The pleasant light of day;
And blown by all the winds that pass,
And wet with all the showers
She walks among the meadow grass,
And eats the meadow flowers.

Gloria Burks

MY FISHING TRIP

One summer my girl friend came to see me. She loved to fish. Thesecond day she was here, she ran and got her fishing rod. We went to the bridge. We saw a snake and ran to the house. She told her mother what she saw. She did not go back out there, but our mothers took us up on the creek to fish. We had a good time, but we did not catch any fish.

Mary Elizabeth Tomlinson